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Dear Examiner:

Please find attached herewith Transmittal Letter for Information Disclosure Statement, 3 pages (in triplicate); Form 1449A/B (1 page), Amendment (6 pages) Appendices 1, 2A, 2B, 3A and 3B and Petition for Extension of Time (in triplicate).

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office action mailed on December 14, 2004 setting a 3-month reply period. A Petition and payment for a one (1) month Extension of Time is enclosed, making this response due on or before April 14, 2005.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.